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Pancake Day

ANCAKE DAY, which falls tomorrow on Shrove Tuesday, is a centuries old traditional holiday. Even older than Pancake Day, however, are the pancakes for which it is famous and the Lenten season which it immediately precedes. Pancake Day is always the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, the me to have to stay out of the start of Lent.

Although they did not realize what they were doing, men and women in the Neolithic Age (the Stone Age) created a food which was destined to be the main dish for this world-wide celebration. They made, on their crude hot stoves, the world's first pancakes, from ground grain.

The pancake was actually the first known form of cooked bread. Naturally, in this interglacial period, nothing was known of leavening agents. The cave men discovered that moistened ground grain baked on stones made a very good pastry. This, of course, was the pancake-which still delights the hearts of millions every day.

Pancake Day, as we know it today, originated in the year 1000 A.D. At this time an English clergyman, Abbot Aelfric, set forth the proclamation that "in the week immediately before Lent everyone shall go to his confessor and confess his deeds, and the confessor shall so shrive him as he may then hear by his deeds what he is to do." This proclamation by the abbot resulted in wide observance of "Shrove Tuesday" which soon became, in addition to a period of confessing, a day of merrymaking in many parts of the world. Shrove Tuesday, of course, soon became popularly known as Pancake Day.

In old England it was quite an event when housewives flocked to churches on Pancake Day to be "shriven" or absolved of their sins. At the tolling of the bell in the morning, it was customary for the housewife to drop whatever she was doing and hurry to the confession. Since this was also the day for feasting and eating pancakes in small towns, the holiday cakes soon became known as "shriving cakes" because they were made on the day the women were "shriven" of their sins.

Those early pancakes were made of four symbolic ingredients: eggs for Lenten sacredness; flour for the staff of life; salt for wholesomeness; and milk for innocence. The housewives all made their pancakes according to this precise formula. It also gave them an opportunity of using up their supplies of surplus fats before entering the Lenten season.

> Scripture Passage for Joday Go ye . . . and teach all nations."-St. Matt. 28:19

Reflects and Reminisces.

Nowhere in Canada should the Prince Rupert. He was the central Canadian figure, half a cenfamous-Alaska Boundary Tribunal. The judgement handed down in that case was of such a nature that the anger it aroused has not entirely subsided yet. Aylsworth's real feelings were outraged but for diplomatic, and P.Ped., asks: other reasons, he could not express them, as he would have wished.

threats in Washington, Canada the rest of the world."

Given a free vote, it is quite probable that these native For-

though a better harbor would selves of these false ideals." have been hard to discover. Yet, think of how Prince Rupert "All students, Mr. Hume con- the date of Confederation, And

A two-storey frame building on Second Street, tenanted originally as a residence and undertaking premises, but unoccupied for a considerable time, has by dows smashed. There was no recent death of Sir Allan Ayls- good glass which costs money.

tury ago in the famous-or in- be between March 2 and 8, its come. Maclean's, William F. Hume, B.A., Communists take over Formosa, able to co something construc-

years she has been relieved of capable of writing a good Eng- moval of Chiang Kai-Shek and ties are not rationed—not even war. about one-half of her front door lish sentence, is ignorant of the his troops—who by the way are on the Pacific. Between Lord simplest facts about his country detested by the overwhelming Alverstone in London and veiled and is completely muddled about majority of the natives.

worth acknowldeged the blunder Canadian school is betraying the dence, both from Chiang and the that his silence unquestionably youth of this country. I am op- Chinese Communists. was. He should, he declared, posed to its "freedom to expresss have boldy challenged such a yourself" philosophy, its lack of newspaper reported the results intellectual discipline, its im- of a general information test properly balanced curriculum; given to prospective students of We have mentioned Prince its mechanical rotary systems McGill University. Many did not Rupert. Suppose, for generations, and above all its adoption of the know the name of Canada's this northern port had had an typical American aim in educa- Prime Minister. Some named uninterrupted coast line all along tion. Surely, Canadian leaders Viscount Alexander, the Gover-British Columbia's Pacific front. are aware that our American nor-General, others Premier Du-There might have been a dif- friends are at this very moment plessis of Quebec and still others

der the meaning of the missing of an adjective. Not long ago a dary schools.





Elmore Philpott

New China A Fact

THE CBC asked me to be chairman of a recent Citizens Forum broadcast on the subject "What Should Our Policy Be Toward China?"

I half liked and half hated the job. It is nice for a change to be a moderator instead of a debater. But it is tough for a person like

HERE ARE some reasons why I think the new government of China should be recognized in UN as representatives of China, as soon as there is real cease-fire

1. Because it is in fact the government. To use the ancient phiase, "its writ runs" from one end of the vast land to the other It is in literal fact the most effective government that there has been in China probably for a century, certainly since the revolution of 1911.

2. Because the new government of China is recognized as the lawful government, not only by its own 475 million people but by all its free neighbors in Asia, including India, Indonesia, Ceylon, Burma and Pakistan,

3. Because the actual government of China is also recognized by the most sincere peace-loving nations in the west including Britain, Netherlands, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Swkzerland.

4. Because the Charter of the UN plainly states that "China" is to have one of the permanent seats on the Security Council, and it is a plain hypocrisy to little group of refugees, hiding behind the U.S. fleet in the island of Formosa, is "China."

5. Because the question of recognition of China in UN is bound up with the larger one of war and peace in all Asia. If China is not recognized, and given her allotted seat in UN, the war in Korea is inevitably just the fore-runner of another one on a vastly greater scale.

In such a war Hong Kong would fall in a matter of days, or weeks. What happend Canadians in 1941 in Hong Kong should be a warning to all of us. It would be as insane as immoral a bargain for British Commonwealth countries to "go along" with Senator Taft, General Mac-Arthur, and agree to make Formosa a spring board for a future Chiang Kai-Shek attack on the Chinese mainland.

NEHRU IS convinced that early recognition of the actual government of China is the vital largely because the ground warkey to long range peace in Asia, fare has been static. Major opa year ago, that the Common- refugee movements and dislowealth Prime Ministers had cated the distribution of supmade a tragic mistake by failing plies. border—the boundary that to stand up for the conclusion BIG IMPROVEMENTS should have been, in fairness and they had jointly reached in the January 1951 meeting in London. The core of that conclusion was that the new government of China should be accepted as a fact, at the earliest practicable

necessity to break an inch of future of Formosa—the off-shore thousands of North and South wrth, at 92, awaken livelier in- Just another illustration of the Shek is hiding out. But I learned areas which were not prepared from other sources that Mr. to receive them. Nehru's idea is that it should be Said one CAC official: Education Week in Canada will neutralized for some years to "The work of CAC has im-

> A veteran teacher and inspector, U.S. government there is no hope leadership and administration with more than forty years of that Washington would agree to at the top. We've been able to experience back of him, says the a 'Hands Off China" policy—to do a job in the field and are so present system is all wrong. In the extent of letting the Chinese much happier now that we are Moreover, I don't think any tive." "Is the modern school turning realistic person can blame them But the Korean government out students of comparable at- for that, so long as we do not has not mobilized its total re- LANGBANK, Scotland (CP)

powerless. Later in life, Ayles- "I contend that the modern mosans would vote for indepen-

ferent site for the terminus al- trying desperately to rid them- thought Mackenzie King was still alive and in office. There were quite a few unable to name would have been the gainer! Pon- tinued, do not know the meaning these were all graduates of secon-



REFUGEES SUFFER-The Korean winter is cold but thousands upon thousands of war refugees must live in tents in huge barren camps. The United Nations Civilian Assistance Command has helped make sure everyone has a roof of some kind. But food is barely above the starvation level and clothing and fuel are scarce.

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by CAC and must be imported.

CAC buys no Korean rice lest

The result is that in Korea,

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plentiful in the open market but

States and Thailand rice, United

States beans and Canadian bar-

ley. Refugees are too poor to buy

in the open market, and even

buy enough for their needs.

man earns in a month.

keep them alive.

workers do not earn enough to

One in three Koreans is a

refugee. For the rest, enough

rice costs three times what a

Everyone is short of food. But

almost all are getting enough to

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Canadian Quiz

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called Canada's inland sea.

How many foreign automo-

biles entered Canada during

In 1939 Canadians earned

\$4,289 million. How much in

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worked 47.2 hours a week for

\$20.14. What did he work and

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ANSWERS PAGE FOUR.

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All relief grains are supplied

of refugee and evacuees.

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KOREA SURVEY

U.N. Relief Agency Aids Stricken People To Survive Winter

[Editor's Note: Bill Boss, Canadian Press staff writer in Korea, has completed a two-week survey of conditions among the civilian population during the Korean winter. This article is the first of a series based on interviews with United Nations. Korean Republic and civilian sources.]

SEOUL, Korea (CP)—Winter has not been as hard on Korean civilians as was feared. The mild pretend that Chiang-Kai-Shek's weather and an energetic relief program are almost sure to keep Koreans-most of them-alive until spring. But the margin is narrow.

> Food is at a bare subsistence level, though enough to prevent rice. Nor will the government starvation. Everyone is unde some kind of roof. Many of the millions of refugees are billeted in private homes, the rest in camps. Only a few live in cave

> There is not enough clothing although supplies have improv ed. One in 10 refugees must stay indoors to keep warm, but there have been few cases of serious country, the Korean grain is illness or death from exposure. Long-neglected peat bogs are does not figure in the ration. Korean refugees are fed United helping to overcome a shortage

The record of the United Na tions Civilian Assistance Command, working through government agencies of the Republic of Korea, is such that I found no refugee who did not feel everything possible is being done to help him.

The relief program has worked He told me in New Delhi, just erations would have sparked new

The United Nations still has no "disaster relief" organization after more than 18 months of war experience. Its policy is to use an emergency as a means of educating Korean administrators in problems of civil govern- 3. ment. However, vast improvethis time, had most of its win- THE FRIME Minister of India ments have been effected since did not discuss with me the last summer when hundreds of island on which Chiang Kai- Koreans were evacuted to rear

purpose being to arouse interest. In the present temper of the last summer. Now there is good proved a thousand-fold since

tainments in knowledge or be- know whether or not we are "in sources—except manpower—for Sir James Lithgow, 69, Scottish havior? It is a shocking fact that for" world war three. But any the struggle involving its own shipping magnate, died Satur-The Alaska Panhandle, rightly, the typical school gradute to- sane "cold storage" policy for life. There is no control of es- day. He was controller of ship belongs to Canada but for fifty day spells badly, is largely in- Formosa would involve the re- sential materials and commodi- building during the second world

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